

LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS CONFERENCE

Hosted by the Maryland Governor's Grants Office

January 4, 2005 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory Kossiakoff Center
11100 Johns Hopkins Road Laurel, MD (Howard County)

AGENDA

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Coffee & Networking

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM Introduction

Eric Brenner; Director, Maryland Governor's Grants Office

9:45 AM - 11:00 AM Overview of Vital Grants Skills; The Basics of Finding, Winning
& Administering Grants

Linda Koser; Grants Administrator, Harford County

11:00 AM - 11:45 AM The Role of a Lead Grants Administrator for Local
Government

How can a single, lead grants administrator improve cooperation between
program and financial staff and between different agencies? How can this
also improve interaction between elected officials and local government staff?

Colleen Baumgartner; Carroll County Grants Administrator
Sandy Lyter; Worcester County Grants Administrator
Wayne Pryor; Ocean City Grants Administrator

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Lunch & Keynote Speakers

Homeland Security

Given the high level of interest in homeland security grants, a brief update
from the Maryland Governor's Office of Homeland Security and the US
Department of Homeland Security will be of interest to everyone.

*Dennis Schrader; Director, MD Governor's Office of
Homeland Security*
*Van Pace; Grants Administrator, US Department of
Homeland Security*

1:15 PM - 1:45 PM

Grant Writing for Foundations

Sometimes strategies and techniques vary when grants are written for foundations instead of for federal agencies. This session highlights some of the similarities and differences to assist local governments wanting to increase opportunities with foundations.

Marc Morgan; Grants Administrator, MD Environmental Services

1:45 PM - 2:00 PM

Federal Contacts

Achieving success in identifying new federal grant opportunities often includes building a network of federal contacts, both at the federal agency level and among the Congressional delegation. This session discusses ways to build a network of federal contacts that can help local governments achieve their goals.

Rob Carter; Federal Liaison, MD Governor's Grants Office

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

Grants Management

Training staff to successfully (and legally) manage federal grants are two inter-related topics that are appropriately receiving increased attention. Just finding and winning grants isn't enough anymore. This session discusses ways that local governments can make improvements in how they manage grants.

*Merril Oliver; Deputy Director, MD Governor's Grants Office
Torryn Brazell; Executive Director, National Grants Management Association.*

2:45 PM - 3:15 PM

Transferring Grant-Writing Skills across different topic areas is not as difficult as some people may think. This session provides examples of how this is done effectively.

Richard Tamberrino; Executive Director, Office of Policy & Statistics, MD Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM

Wrap-Up

*Eric Brenner
Linda Koser*